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SUBJECT: APOLLO-SOYEZ MISSION: JOINT US-USSR RECEPTION

- 1. WE HAVE BEEN APPROACHED INFORMALLY ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS BY SOVIET SCIENCE COUNSELOR AND HIS ASSISTANT WITH PROPOSAL THAT US AND SOVIET EMBASSIES IN OTTAWA COOPERATE TO PUBLICIZE JULY APOLLO-SOYEZ MISSION. WE HAVE BEEN NON-COMMITTAL, IN LINE WITH USIA INFOGUIDES ON SUBJECT. MORE RECENTLY, LOW-LEVEL (THIRD SECRETARY) SOVIET APPROACH MADE TO EQUIVALENT EMBOFF IN WHICH SOVEMBOFF STATED HIS INTENTION TO RECOMMEND THAT HIS AMBASSADOR TAKE UP WITH AMBASSADOR PORTER ADVISABILITY OF JOINTLY-HOSTED RECEPTION FOLLOWING SUCCESSFUL CONCLUSION OF MISSION.
- 2. WE HAVE TAKEN NO INITIATIVE TO FOLLOW UP ON RECEPTION PROPOSAL AND CAN THINK OF SEVERAL WAYS TO PUT OFF SOVIET AMBASSADOR IF HE PURSUES MATTER, E.G.: INAPPROPRIATE TO SCHEDULE AND ISSUE INVITATIONS FOR RECEPTION BEFORE MISSION HAS IN FACT PROVED SUCCESSFUL; JOINT-EFFORT CHARACTER OF MISSION WOULD BE DAMAGED BY EMPHASIS ON US ROLE WHICH WOULD INEVITABLY RESULT FROM RECEPTION ON MISSION'S CONCLUSION SINCE APOLLO RETURN, SIX DAYS AFTER SOYEZ RETURN. WOULD BE UPPERMOST IN LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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